IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

- 1. (Amended) An isolated [non-mouse] <u>non-murine</u> mammalian pluripotential embryonic stem cell which can:
 - (a) be maintained on feeder layers for at least 20 passages; and
- (b) give rise to embryoid bodies and multiple differentiated cell phenotypes in monolayer culture.

REMARKS

Claims 1-4, 7, 11-12, 25-28, 30-31, and 33-36 remain in this application, claims 5, 6, 8-10, 13, 14, 15-24, 29 and 32 having been canceled in this continuation application. Claim 1 is amended above. No new matter is added by this amendment, and support for this amendment is found throughout the specification, such as at page 2, lines 20-22; page 22, lines 21-25; and page 24, lines 23-27.

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